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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, DECEMBER 3, 2002

PETITIONS OF

UNITED TELEPHONE - SOUTHEAST,
INC.'S SYLVATUS AND MAX MEADOWS
CUSTOMERS

CASE NOS. PUC-2002-00153
PUC-2002-00154

For Extended Local Service between
United's Sylvatus and Max Meadows
Exchanges

ORDER DIRECTING POLL

In July 2002, telephone customers in United Telephone - Southeast, Inc.'s ("United"), Sylvatus Exchange petitioned the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") for Extended Local Service ("ELS") to United's Max Meadows Exchange. In August 2002, telephone subscribers in United's Max Meadows Exchange petitioned the Commission for ELS to its Sylvatus Exchange. Cost studies to estimate the approximate change in monthly rates that would result from the requested local service extensions were submitted to the Staff of the Commission by United on October 31, 2002, for these two routes.

NOW UPON CONSIDERATION OF the petitions and § 56-484.2 of the Code of Virginia, the Commission finds that this matter should be docketed. We further find that United should poll its customers in the Sylvatus Exchange regarding their willingness

to pay higher rates for local calling to the Max Meadows Exchange and should poll its customers in the Max Meadows Exchange regarding their willingness to pay higher rates for local calling to the Sylvatus Exchange.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

(1) This matter is docketed and assigned Case Nos. PUC-2002-00153 and PUC-2002-00154.

(2) United shall poll its Sylvatus Exchange customers to determine whether a majority of those customers are willing to pay an increase in rates for local calling to its Max Meadows Exchange. United shall file the results of its poll with the Commission as soon as possible, but no later than February 20, 2003.

(3) United shall poll its Max Meadows Exchange customers to determine whether a majority of those customers are willing to pay an increase in rates for local calling to its Sylvatus Exchange. United shall file the results of its poll with the Commission as soon as possible, but no later than February 20, 2003.

(4) This matter is continued for further orders of the Commission.